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SUBJ: MEETING OF WESTERN CCD DELS ON DISARMAMENT
ISSUES

1. WESTERN CCD GROUP PLUS FRG HELD MEETING NOV 15 TO
REVIEW SEVERAL DISARMAMENT ITEMS, INCLUDING ALL
RESOLUTIONS THAT MAY BE VOTED ON MONDAY, NOV 18, VIZ.,
NON-PROLIFERATION, SALT, AND THE TWO RESES ON LATIN AMERICAN
NUCLEAR WEAPON FREE ZONE (LANFZ).

2. DUTCH/CANADIAN/JAPANESE NON-PROLIFERATION RES. ALL
WILL SUPPORT. RES WILL BE VOTED ON NOV 18. JAPAN WILL
MAKE STATEMENT BEFORE VOTE REPLYING TO INDIA'S CRITICISM
OF RES NOV 14.

3. SALT RES. WILL BE VOTED NOV 18. CANADA WILL CHANGE
FROM ABSTENTION IN 1973 TO AFFIRMATIVE VOTE THIS YEAR,
DESPITE CANDEL RECOMMENDATION TO ABSTAIN. REASON IS TO
PUT CANADA IN BEST POSSIBLE POSTURE VIS-A-VIS NON-
NUCLEARS BEFORE NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE. CANADA WILL EXPLAIN
THAT IT INTERPRET "BROADEN THE SCOPE" IN OP PARA (4)
AS REFERRING TO QUALITATIVE AS WELL AS QUNATITATIVE
SALT LIMITATIONS. JAPAN, WHICH VOTED YES IN 1973, WILL
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ABSTAIN THIS YEAR. NETHERLANDS DEL WILL RECOMMEND

FAVORABLE VOTE TO THE HAGUE. FRG AND ITALY UNCERTAIN HOW THEY WILL VOTE. UK WILL ABSTAIN. US ASKED THAT OTHERS KEEP IN MIND THAT EACH YEAR SALT RES IS PRESSED FURTHER BY MEXICO TOWARD INJECTING MULTILATERAL ELEMENT INTO SALT, WHICH EVENTUALLY COULD COMPLICATE NEGOTIATIONS.

4. LANFZ. ALL PRESENT EXCEPT US SAID THEY WOULD VOTE FOR BOTH RESES. NETHERLANDS SAID IT HAD NOT BEEN CONSULTED BY THE AUTHORS OF THE RES ON ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL I AND WAS UNHAPPY WITH SOME OF THE WORDING BUT WOULD SUPPORT IT. ALTHOUGH RESES COULD CONCEIVABLY BE VOTED ON NOV 18, THE USSR ASKED ON NOV 13 FOR A DELAY BECAUSE OF LACK OF INSTRUCTIONS AND HAS NOT INDICATED YET WHEN IT WILL BE READY.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATION (ENMOD). UK SAID IT WAS GENERALLY FAVORABLE TO THE SOVIET RES, ESPECIALLY IF THE AMENDMENTS RECENTLY PROPOSED TO THE SOVS BY SWEDEN AND OTHERS ARE ACCEPTED. FRG SAID ITS "TENDENCY" IS TO AFOVR SOVIET RES. JAPAN SAID IT HOPED US WOULD BE FLEXIBLE, AND INDICATED IT COULD SUPPORT RES EVEN IF SOVS AGREED ONLY TO CHANGE "OTHER PURPOSED" TO "OTHER HOSTILE PURPOSES, WHICH ARE..." WHEREVER THE WORDS APPEAR, AND TO REVISE OP PARA (2) TO READ "TAKES INTO ACCOUNT THAT THE DRAFT.....HAS BEEN SUBMITTED." ITALY OBSERVED SITUATION STILL FLUID AND NOT YET SEEKING INSTRUCTIONS.

6. NAPALM. UK, CANADA, AND US EXPRESSED DISSATISFACTION WITH LATEST SWEDISH REVISION. JAPAN SAID IT WOULD BE HAPPY TO SEE AMENDMENTS BEING SUGGESTED BY VARIOUS WESTERN DELS ACCEPTED BUT EVEN IF THEY ARE NOT IT WILL SUPPORT RES BECAUSE OF STRONG DOMESTIC PUBLIC OPINION. NETHERLANDS OBSERVED THAT IT WOULD NOT CO-SPONSOR RES UNLESS CANADA AND US SUPPORTED RES. ITALY EXPRESSED IDIGNATION AT SWEDISH TAMPERING WITH LUCERNE CONSENSUS. FRG LIKE CANADA TROUBLED BY DELETION OF LANGUAGE ON ICRC PROTOCOLS, SAID IT WAS NOT HAPPY WITH RES EVEN AFTER SWEDISH ADDITION OF "POSSIBLE" IN OP PARA (3). AMB MARTIN (US) REPORTED THAT ROSHCIN (USSR) HAD TOLD HIM SYRIA IS CIRCULATING A RESOLUTION (OR AMENDMENTS TO SWEDISH RES) CONDEMNING

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THE USE OF NAPALM.

7. NUCLEAR FREE ZONES. MOST DELS AGREED IT WAS STILL PREMATURE TO COMMENT DEFINITELY ON HOW TO HANDLE INDIAN AND PAKISTAN SANFZ RESES, SEVERAL ADDING THAT THEY WERE INCLINED TO ABSTAIN ON BOTH. (INDIAN AMB MISHRA TOLD US HE MIGHT ASK FOR VOTE ON HIS RES WED, NOV 20.) ON THE AFRICAN NUCLEAR FREE ZONE PROPOSAL, CANADA REPORTED THAT TUNISIA

WANTED SOME MENTION OF TERRITORIAL SEA, BUT NIGERIAN AMB
CLARK LATER TOLD US HE INTENDED TO TRY TO RESIST THIS.
UK SAID IT HAD DIFFICULTY WITH THE WORD "TRANSPORTATION"
WHICH WAS USED IN THE 1961 ANFZ RES BUT WAS DROPPED IN 1965.
FRG SPECULATED THAT THE FINNISH NUCLEAR FREE ZONE STUDY
PROPOSAL MIGHT PROVE A GOOD WAY TO DELAY ACTION ON
THE MORE SPECIFIC ZONE RESES. UK NOTED ARAB ALARM AT THE
FINNISH DRAFT BECAUSE OF ITS EMPHASIS ON CONSULTATIONS.
US EXPLAINED FINNS WERE CONSIDERING PLACING NFZ STUDY UNDER
CCD AUSPICES, WHICH US WOULD PREFER.
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